**Gazette Notification for Officers of Doordarshan**

3454. SHRI RAJNITI PRASAD: Will the Minister of INFORMATION AND BROADCASTING be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that the posts of TVNCS\ANCS/ANES in doordarshan are in the category of Group A for which gazette notification are necessary;

(b) whether it is a fact that no notification has been issued, so far;

(c) whether the gazette notification were issued in respect of producers who were regularized by the same order;

(d) whether the notifications were prepared in 1997 and 2009 but were not sent for publication;

(e) whether their recruitment rules have not been prepared even after 21 years; and

(f) if so, the reasons therefor?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF INFORMATION AND BROADCASTING (SHRI CHOUDHURY MOHAN JATUA): (a) The post of TVNCs in Doordarshan is in the pay scale of Group 'A'. However gazette notification is necessary only in case of conscious decision to treat concerned officers as gazetted officers. There is no such decision on record in respect of TVNCs etc.

(b) Yes Sir.

(c) Yes Sir.

(d) Draft Recruitment Rules have not been finalized so far.

(e) and (f) Recruitment Rules of TVNCs/TVANCs/TVANEs are under finalization in consultation with the nodal departments.

**Telecast of religion-related channels**

†3455. SHRI KAPTAN SINGH SOLANKI:

SHRI PRABHAT JHA:

Will the Minister of INFORMATION AND BROADCASTING be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that the foreign television channels of religious effects are being illegally telecasted in the country;

(b) if so, the details thereof;

(c) whether it is also a fact that not only Government is losing revenue due to illegal transmission of Islamic television channels but this also raises security related concerns of the country; and

(d) if so, the details thereof?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF INFORMATION AND BROADCASTING (SHRI CHOUDHURY MOHAN JATUA): (a) and (b) Some instances of unauthorized channels being shown have been brought to the notice of this Ministry. Whenever these instances are noticed State Governments are asked to take strict action against those cable operators who show unauthorized channels. Under the provisions of Cable Television Networks (Regulation) Act 1995 and the Rules framed thereunder, no Satellite TV channel can be telecast in the country unless authorized by the Ministry of Information & Broadcasting.

†Original notice of the question was received in Hindi.